



Morning Brief

Date/Time Stamp: Friday, September 11, 2015 - 0700 hrs.

Activity Summary

In the Northwest:

No lightning and no precipitation. Warm and dry conditions continue. Light initial attack. No new large fires. Existing large fire growth due mainly to burnout operations.

Preparedness Levels

Current:

Northwest	4 (no change)
National	4 (no change)

Northwest PL Forecast:

3	3	2
3-day	10-day	30-day

Northwest Fire Activity

Large Fire Summary

New large fires: 0

Large fires contained: 0

Uncontained large fires: 22 (OR: 8, WA: 14)

New Fires and Acres: 7 fires for 0 acres
(1,285 acres growth on existing large fires)
OR: 5 fires for 0 acres
WA: 2 fires for 0 acres

Northwest IMT Activity

Area Command Teams committed: 0

NIMOs committed: 1

Type 1 IMTs committed: 2

Type 2 IMTs committed: 7

OSFM: 0

Wildland Fire Management Team: 0

NIMO (Hahnenburg) assisting IMT transitions for Okanogan Complex, Chelan Complex, Tunk Block and North Star.

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (90 new fires)

New large incidents: 1

Large fires contained: 1

Uncontained large fires: 37

National IMT Activity

Area Command Teams committed: 1

NIMOs committed: 1

Type 1 IMTs committed: 8

Type 2 IMTs committed: 13

Current Incident Details

Incidents not Previously-Reported: 0

Incidents Previously-Reported: 22

Okanogan Complex (2 fires) WA-NES-001203. IMT2. WA Team 5 (Leitch). 13 miles NW of Omak, WA. Start 8/14. **Full Suppression** (all fires in complex). Timber and brush. Cause: Lightning. 132,634 acres. (+0). 85% containment. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Residences and structures destroyed. Residences, communications sites, power lines, irrigation infrastructure, T&E species, watersheds, rangeland and commercial timber threatened. Road and trail closures in effect. Evacuations in effect. Fire mobilization authorized (8/17). FMAG approved (8/15).

Includes four fires. Beaver Lake merged with Lime Belt: **Beaver Lake** (WA-OWF-000671). 25,956 acres. **Lime Belt** (WA-OWF-000657). 106,882 acres.

North Star WA-COA-000157. IMT1. CA Team 5 (Minton). 5 miles E of Omak, WA. Start 8/13. **Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Human. 211,356 acres. (+1,241). 45% containment. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and creeping. Residences, commercial timber, rangelands, critical communication sites, commercial property and structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect. Evacuations in effect. Fire mobilization authorized (8/19). **CA Team 5 (Minton) managing Tunk Block and North Star.** Transfer of command to IMT1 CA Team 1 (McGowan) at 0600 Saturday.

Canyon Creek Complex (3 fires) OR-MAF-015192. IMT2. OR Team 4 (Goff). 7 miles N of Seneca, OR. Start 8/12. **Full Suppression** (all fires in complex). Timber and grass. Cause: Lightning. 110,406 acres. (+0). 87% containment. Moderate fire behavior with group torching, uphill runs and backing. Residences and structures destroyed. Residences, critical habitat, watershed and wilderness threatened. Road, trail and area closures in effect. Evacuations in effect. Conflagration Act invoked (8/15) and ended (9/2). FMAG approved (8/15).

Includes 3 fires. Berry Creek merged with Mason Spring: **Berry Creek** (OR-MAF-015271). 100 acres; **Mason Spring** (OR-MAF-0152270). 110,145 acres; **Jerrys Draw** (OR-952S-015306). 161 acres. 100% containment.

Tunk Block WA-NES-001219. IMT1. CA Team 5 (Minton). 3 miles E of Omak, WA. Start 8/14. **Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Unknown. 162,693 acres. (+33). 75% containment. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and creeping. Residences, structures and natural resources threatened. Road and trail closures in effect. Evacuations in effect. **CA Team 5 (Minton) managing Tunk Block and North Star. Transfer of command to IMT1 CA Team 1 (McGowan) at 0600 Saturday.**

Chelan Complex (5 fires) WA-SES-000701. IMT2. WA Team 3 (Allbee). 1 mile S of Chelan, WA. Start 8/14. **Full Suppression** (all fires in complex). Timber and brush. Cause: Unknown. 88,505 acres. (-179). 78% containment. Active fire behavior with backing and single tree torching. Residences and structures destroyed. Residences, commercial property, communication sites and structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect. Evacuations in effect. Fire mobilization authorized (8/17). FMAG approved (8/15).

Includes five merged fires; **Reach** (WA-SPD-000651). Fire mobilization authorized (8/14); **McFarland Creek** (WA-OWF-000669); **Cagle** (WA-SES-000655); **Antoine Creek** (WA-OWF-000654); **Black Canyon** (WA-OWF-000663).

Carpenter Rd. WA-SPA-000046. IMT2. OR Team 3 (Johnson). 35 miles NW of Spokane, WA. Start 8/14. **Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Human. 65,068 acres. (+0). 90% containment. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences, commercial property and structures destroyed and threatened. Road closures in effect. Evacuations in effect. Fire mobilization authorized (8/14).

Kettle Complex (4 fires) WA-COF-001264. IMT2. WA Team 1 (Ciraulo). 26 miles NW of Colville, WA. Start 8/11. **Full Suppression** (all fires in complex). Timber. Cause: Lightning. 76,621 acres. (+0). 60% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Residences and commercial property destroyed. Residences, commercial property and structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures in effect. Evacuations in effect.

Includes four fires: **Graves Mountain** (WA-COF-001196). 8,587 acres. 65% containment; **Stickpin** (WA-COF-001111). 54,278 acres. 55% containment. Fire mobilization authorized (8/14); **Renner** (WA-COF-001202). 13,524 acres. 70% containment. Fire mobilization authorized (8/19). **North Boulder 2** (WA-COF-000867). 232 acres. 100% containment.

Kaniksu Complex (7 fires) WA-COF-001302. IMT2. AK Black Team (Kurth). 35 miles E of Colville, WA. Start 8/18. **Monitor/Confine/Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 26,148 acres. (-17). 70% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Residences, commercial property, historic sites, commercial timber, recreation infrastructure, campgrounds, T&E species habitat and structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures in effect.

Includes seven fires: **Tower** (WA-COF-001120). 24,252 acres. (-17). 59% containment; **Onata Creek** (WA-NES-001310) 546 acres. (+0). 100% containment; **Baldy** (WA-COF-001003). 515 acres. (+0). 100% containment; **Grease Creek** (WA-COF-001212). 628 acres. (+0). 17% containment; **Hall Mountain** (WA-COF-001164). 39 acres. (+0). 0% containment; **Slate Creek** (WA-COF-001221). 1 acre. (+0). 0% containment; **South Fork Slate Trail – D5** (WA-COF-001218). 167 acres. (+0). 0% containment.

Wolverine WA-OWF-000287. IMT2. WA Team 2 (Rabe). 3 miles NW of Lucerne, WA. Start 6/29. **Point Zone Protection/Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 65,355 acres. (+0). 35% containment. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences and structures destroyed. Communities, residences, structures, T&E species habitat, campgrounds and historic structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures in effect. Evacuations in effect. **WA Team 2 (Rabe) currently managing Wolverine and First Creek.**

First Creek WA-OWF-000650. IMT2. WA Team 2 (Rabe). 8 miles NW of Chelan, WA. Start 8/14. **Full Suppression**. Grass and timber. Cause: Lightning. 7,490 acres. (+0). 90% containment. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences and structures destroyed. Residences and structures threatened. Evacuations in effect. **WA Team 2 (Rabe) currently managing Wolverine and First Creek.**

Cougar Creek WA-YAA-000157. IMT3. 6 miles NW of Glenwood, WA. Start 8/10. **Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 53,534 acres. (+11). 97% containment. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures, natural resources, T&E species habitat and campgrounds threatened. Road, trail and area closures in effect.

Grizzly Bear Complex OR-UMF-000947. IMT3. 20 miles SE of Dayton, WA. Start 8/13. **Monitor/Confine/Point Zone Protection/Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 75,269 acres. (+0). 44% containment. Moderately fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and isolated torching. Residences and structures destroyed. Residences, commercial property, structures, campgrounds, commercial hunting, T&E species habitat, recreational facilities, historic buildings, watersheds and natural resources threatened. Road, trail and area closures in effect. Evacuations in effect. This complex contains 17 fires (varying sizes, some have merged). Conflagration Act invoked (8/20) and ended (8/25). FMAG approved (8/21).

National Creek Complex (2 fires) OR-RSF-000836. IMT3. 10 miles SW of Diamond Lake, OR. Start 8/1. **Full Suppression** (all fires in complex). Timber. Cause: Lightning. 16,443 acres. (+0). 70% containment. Moderately fire behavior with single and group tree torching. T&E species habitat, natural and cultural resources threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Includes two merged fires: **Crescent** (OR-CLP-000405). 16,323 acres. (+0); **National** (OR-RSF-000787). 120 acres. (+0).

Oven Fire OR-PRD-000590. ICT3. 3 miles E of Maupin, OR. Start 9/9. **Full Suppression**. Grass. Cause: Human. 1,100 acres. (-700). 60% containment. Active fire behavior with wind driven runs, creeping and short range spotting. **Reduction in acreage due to better mapping.**

County Line 2 OR-WSA-000060. IMT3. 15 miles NW of Madras, OR. Start 8/12. **Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Unknown. 67,207 acres. (+0). 97% containment. Minimal fire behavior. Residences and structures destroyed. Residences, timber resources and commercial property threatened. Trail and area closures in effect. Evacuations in effect. **No new information.**

Upper Skagit Complex (8 fires) WA-NCP-000052. ICT3. 1 mile NW of Newhalem, WA. Start 8/10. **Monitor/Confine/Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 8,505 acres. (+0). 66% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures destroyed. **Transfer of command to ICT4 at 1600 today.**

Includes: **Goodell** (WA-NCP-000039). 7,111 acres. (+0). 0% containment; **Thursday Creek** (WA-NCP-000040). 566 acres. (+0). 0% containment; **Rocky Beaver** (WA-NCP-000046). 141 acres. (+0). 0% containment; **No Name 15** (WA-NCP-000045). 344 acres. (+0). 0% containment. **Snowfield** (WA-NCP-000051). 184 acres. (+0). 0% containment. This complex includes additional fires totaling less than 200 acres.

Eagle OR-WWF-000872. ICT4. 25 miles S of Union, OR. Start 8/11. **Confine/Point Zone Protection/Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 12,763 acres. (+0). 75% containment. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residence destroyed. Residences, structures, timber resources, T&E species habitat and wild and scenic river corridor threatened. Road, trail and area closures in effect. **Transfer of command to local unit yesterday.**

Alder Lake WA-GPF-000627. ICT4. 7 miles S of Eatonville, WA. Start 8/11. **Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 280 acres. (+0). 20% containment. Minimal fire behavior with creeping. Residences, structures and T&E species habitat threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Collier Butte OR-RSF-000808. ICT4. 17 miles E of Gold Beach, OR. Start 8/2. **Full Suppression**. Timber and brush. Cause: Lightning. 12,263 acres. (+0). 70% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Commercial property, Snow Camp Lookout, T&E species habitat, critical watersheds and wilderness threatened. Road, trail and area closures in effect. Limited access and steep slopes.

Stouts Creek OR-732S-000090. ICT4. 16 miles E of Canyonville, OR. Start 7/30. **Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Human. 26,452 acres. (+0). 98% containment. Minimal fire behavior with backing, smoldering and creeping. Road and area closures in effect. Conflagration Act invoked (7/31) and ended (8/8). FMAG approved (7/31). In patrol status. **No new information.**

Twisp River WA-NES-001351. **Full Suppression**. 11,222 acres. 98% containment. **Limited information available. Last report on morning briefing unless significant activity occurs.**

9 Mile WA-NES-001147. **Full Suppression**. 4,720 acres. 98% containment. Fire mobilization authorized (8/19). **Limited information available. Last report on morning briefing unless significant activity occurs.**

[NW Fires Utilizing Monitor, Confine, Point Zone Protection Suppression Strategies \(YTD\)](#) (link)

Lists fires (of any size) that singly utilize Monitor, Confine, or Point Zone Protection suppression strategies, or use Multiple Suppression Strategies (which may also include a Full Suppression component).

Northwest Fire Potential Summary:

An upper ridge over the area continues to build which means more warming and drying. Friday will be the warmest day on the west while Saturday will be on the east side. Instability will increase as the temperatures rise. Warming and instability will elevate the burning conditions for ongoing incidents east of the Cascades. Winds are generally expected to stay light until Sunday when the weather pattern begins to shift.

More info, see [NW 7-Day Significant Fire Potential Forecast](#), and [National 7-Day Significant Fire Potential Forecast](#)

National Incident Management Situation Report (IMSR): <http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf>

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